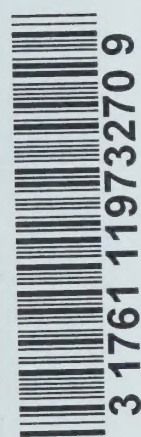


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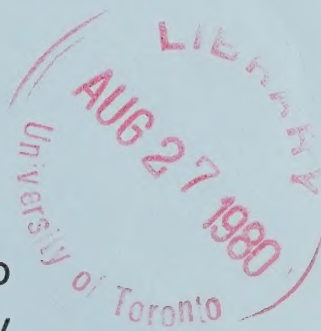
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THE ONTARIO HOCKEY COUNCIL MOTTO: PERSONAL GROWTH THROUGH
HOCKEY

The Ontario Hockey Council is a voluntary association of appropriate individuals representing organized hockey in Ontario.

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE ONTARIO HOCKEY COUNCIL

1. To assist in the development and improvement of the attitude of the hockey player so that he/she will attain an appreciation for the skills of the game.
2. To encourage in parents the development of a philosophy which will help them "give the game back to the children" and which will promote the growth of hockey.
3. To create in both players and parents the understanding that participation in amateur hockey for its own sake, can be a rewarding experience.
4. To provide advice to, and further the public understanding of the following:
 - a) the rules of hockey
 - b) the degree of involvement and role of organizers, coaches and officials in amateur hockey
 - c) the factors affecting the development of amateur hockey
5. To help create a climate which ensures every individual the opportunity to participate in and enjoy the game of hockey at the appropriate level of competence.
6. To generate, disseminate and exchange information in an attempt to promote enjoyment of the game and better inform the public concerning hockey in Ontario.
7. To influence the development of the game from a philosophical and social perspective.
8. To encourage every coach, official and parent involved with our players to develop the proper attitudes so that hockey will be an exciting and enriching component of the players' personal growth with emphasis on the enhancement of good character and citizenship.
9. To encourage all players to continue participation into adult life, thus becoming knowledgeable and responsible spectators, parents, coaches or officials.

FUNCTIONS OF THE ONTARIO HOCKEY COUNCIL

1. To act as a liaison between the hockey associations and the Ontario government.
2. a) To prepare a budget sufficient for Council needs, for submission to the Ministry, and
b) To monitor expenditures
3. To meet quarterly to review the programs of the sub-Committees.
4. To support the development of the quantity and quality of coaches in Ontario.
5. To develop and maintain co-operation and communications between the hockey associations, between hockey and government, and between hockey and the public.
6. To make available to the member branches, knowledge of grants and funding through federal and provincial government agencies.
7. To develop and accept proposals which will advance the game of hockey as played in Ontario.
8. To ensure continuing representation of those organizations presently comprising the Council.
9. To select Chairmen to head sub-Committees.
10. To approve the membership and budgets of the sub-Committees.
11. To establish sub-Committee priorities, study their recommendations and encourage their application to the various organizations comprising the Council.
12. To request of government the necessary funding to implement approved sub-Committee recommendations.
13. To evaluate the impact and result of implemented projects as to their future requirements.

Recognizing that seven existing members of "organized hockey" represent the large majority of persons playing the game in Ontario, the Ontario Hockey Council must reflect that representation. Therefore, the Council is comprised of representatives from the following bodies:

ODHA: 2 people preferably the President and Vice-President
 ODMHA: 2 people preferably the President and Vice-President
 OHA: 2 people preferably the President and Vice-President
 NOHA: 2 people preferably the President and Vice-President
 MTHL: 2 people preferably the President and Vice-President
 OMHA: 2 people preferably the President and Vice-President
 TBAHA: 2 people preferably the President and 1st Vice-President plus one person to represent minor hockey
 MINISTRY: 2 people inclusive of the Sport Consultant responsible for hockey
 OWHA: 2 people preferably the President and Vice-President
 Sub-Committee of the OHC: 1 person who chairs each standing sub-Committee
 Chairman: Can be elected from any of the above mentioned groups.

SUB-COMMITTEES

The Ontario Hockey Council includes the following sub-Committees:

1. Parent Education Committee
2. Player and Official Education Committee
3. Media and Public Education Committee

The Ontario Hockey Council shall be responsible for the appointment of sub-Committee Chairmen as required. Each sub-Committee Chairman shall submit to the Council, names of persons recommended to serve on his sub-Committee for approval by the Council. Committee Chairmen should appoint the best qualified people to do the jobs required. If any branch has qualified choices as alternatives, these names should be sent to the Committee Chairpeople.

The Executive Committee of the Ontario Hockey Council is to conduct the business of the Council between regular Council meetings. The composition of the Executive Committee is as follows: the Chairman, Vice-Chairman and two other members with no branch represented by more than one member. The Committee will also include one member who is involved in hockey beyond the level of the hockey associations. Total composition will thus be Chairman, Vice-Chairman, 2 branch representatives and a member at large.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT
1978-79 Fiscal Year

Beginning with the Annual Meeting in January 1978, the year was a busy one. As a result of our restructuring, the Executive Committee came into being and this allowed for increased decision-making meetings at no greater expense.

In late January, I met with the Administrative Assistant to the Provincial Treasurer (who happened to be my local member) to lay out what "Hockey" felt was its position in regard to the Human Right Commission's attempt to integrate organized hockey.

In February we attempted to straighten out the understanding of some parents in the Walkerton-Wiarton area re residence rules, etc.

During the year the Chairman represented the Council at the following Annual Meetings:

April 21, 22, 23	NOHA in Timmins
April 28, 29	OHA in Toronto
	OWHA in Guelph
May 6	Sport Ontario in Toronto
May 20, 25	CAHA in Regina
June 2, 3	ODHA in Ottawa
September 15, 16	TBAHA in Thunder Bay
September 20	WOAA Minor in Wingham
September 29, 30	OMHA in Toronto
November	WOAA in Wingham

Also, we were in attendance at the High Court for the appeal of the Gail Cummings' case by the Human Rights Commission and in York County Court to observe the case of a midget player convicted of assault.

I was also able to attend most meetings of the Media and Public Education Committee and of the reconstructed Player Education Committee.

1978 saw the launching of five educational programs. They were:

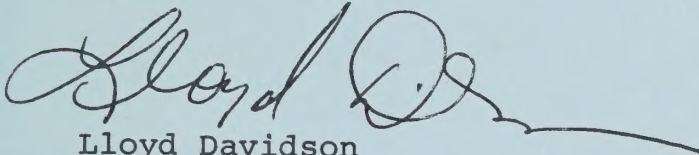
1. A booklet, Hockey-it's Your Game, directed to eight to twelve-year-old players.
2. A trial distribution of six Parent Newsletters to Chatham and Kitchener parents.
3. The launching of our film, Hockey Is.
4. Information for Players, a pamphlet aimed at sixteen to twenty-year-old registered players.
5. Three five-minute films which were used on the Southern Ontario Hockey Night in Canada telecasts on Wednesday nights, produced in conjunction with the producers.

In addition, approximately 25 days were spent at the Ministry, conducting routine Council business.

We have been functioning without a full time Administrative Assistant and I believe we can continue to do so. There will be times when it will be necessary to provide leg-work for some of our sub-Committees and this will be provided out of our account for this purpose, including a person now working considerable hours on Player Education Committee projects in Chatham.

I would like to thank the Vice-Chairman, John Wiwcharyk, Larry Bellisle and Roch Roy of the Executive Committee, my strong right arm, Waldo Henderson, our Sport Consultant and all of the Council members for their support and co-operation in 1978. A particular thank you to Hugh McLean, Gerry Fullan and Al Moore who have served the Council and Hockey well for so many years.

Respectfully submitted.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Lloyd Davidson', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Lloyd Davidson
Chairman
Ontario Hockey Council

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June 21, 1979

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Parent Education Sub-Committee Annual Report - February 24, 1979

During the past year the Committee has met three times, and I have met individually with the members on two or three other occasions. The Committee has produced the following materials this year:

1. You and Your Hockey Parents - A resource package to guide coaches in educating the parents of the children on their team.
2. Parents Newsletter - Volume 1-6 issues. This has been distributed in Chatham and Kitchener on a trial basis this year, with the understanding that if it was informative and well-received, consideration would be given to distributing this throughout the province next year. An oral report on the feedback to date is to be presented at the annual OHC meeting, along with a recommendation.

As Chairman, I also re-edited You and Your Child in Hockey and submitted this to Mr. W. Henderson. It is my understanding that this will be reprinted and a supply stockpiled from unallocated funds from the current budget.

Future Projects of the Committee include:

1. Expansion of the Parent Newsletter on a provincial basis. The art work needs to be improved, and for next year probably some or all of this year's experimental topics would be revised and repeated. If the Newsletter became an annual project, each new issue would be a new topic.
2. A Parent Opinionnaire - In light of the recent concern with basic hockey skills vs. excessive body contact, more information is needed to help to implement change. We need to know what parents think about hockey as it is presently played by their child and what they would like it to be. We propose therefore to survey a large number of parents in the province, preferably within the next few months while the topic is still on their mind and ripe for discussion. More will be said on this project at the Annual Meeting.
3. This is the International Year of the Child. The Parent Education Committee proposes that the Council consider taking on some special project to commemorate this year which would facilitate the growth and development of children in Ontario who spend their leisure time playing hockey. Perhaps external funds could be sought to assist funding such a project (e.g. educational and artistic posters in arenas, a how-to-play and behave book, TV instructional series on how to play and

behave. It is proposed that this item be given serious and immediate consideration, perhaps by an ad hoc Committee, by the Executive Committee or by the Council-at-large.

Respectfully submitted,

Barry McPherson

Barry D. McPherson
Chairman
Parent Education Sub-Committee

Committee Members

Barry McPherson, Chairman
Michael Smith
Lois Kalchman
Gerald Fullan
Jack Birch

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Media and Public Education Sub-Committee Annual Report - 1978-79 Activities

1. Hockey Night in Canada Intermissions

The Media and Public Education Committee was successful in introducing the coverage of amateur hockey material during intermissions of Hockey Night in Canada. The three films already shown are:

The OHC and What It Does for Amateur Hockey in Ontario
Equipment for the Amateur Hockey Player
Conditioning

Total cost of this project to date is \$4,000.00.

The Committee is presently pursuing the cooperation of the Canadian Sports Network (producers of Hockey Night in Canada) to produce three more five-minute films, tentatively to be shown during the playoff season of 1979.

If the Council is successful in maintaining a good relationship with Hockey Night in Canada, there is the possibility of further co-operative ventures in the upcoming season.

2. The Ontario Hockey Council Educational Package

Consideration was given to the development of a skating or hockey program for the school or community recreational programs. Reduced school budgets and the increasing number of programs to be scheduled for school hours were the major problems which dissuaded schools from considering hockey as part of their program. Furthermore, it was felt that the community was adequately dealing with hockey. Because the educational system still appears to be a viable channel through which the Council can encourage the development of healthy attitudes on hockey, the package is now reduced to a Hockey Reader, which if successful can become a primary reader for elementary schools across the province. Initial investigative work was completed this year. The writing and publication (if approved by Council) should be completed by the spring of 1980.

3. Research on the Hockey Dropout

Prof. Michael Smith who is presently involved in research in violence in hockey, developed an outline for research to be conducted in the area of "sports leaving" or the atrophy that

is being experienced by hockey teams over the midget years. Funds are presently being pursued to continue this project.

4. Media Education Seminar

The Committee has begun preliminary work in recruiting the Department of Physical Education at York University, to assume the task of developing a seminar or conference to expose broadcasters, reporters and journalists to the experts in hockey so as to give them the opportunity to question their approach to reporting, and to suggest alternative ways.

The tentative date for the Conference is the fall of 1979.

Committee members

Ian Macdonald, Chairman
Syl Apps
Michael Smith
George Gross
Robert Goldham
Connie Olsheski

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Player Education Sub-Committee Annual Report - 1978-79 Activities

This committee was rejuvenated late in the 78-79 season. Its major project was the preparation and distribution of three Information for Players Bulletins for players in the 16 to 21 year-old age group. Copies of these bulletins are available upon request.

Committee members

Jim Kinkley, Chairman
T. Bones McCormack
David Chambers
Howard Stevenson
John Almstedt

ONTARIO HOCKEY COUNCIL - Resources

A. Information for Players

Olympic Hockey Team information and how to handle stress.
Understanding your goaltender.
Fitness Special.

B. Parents Newsletters

Fitting Protective Equipment.
Hockey is Fun. Get involved.
Help Wanted.
Tournaments.
Helping your child enjoy hockey.
Self-evaluation for hockey parents.

C. Booklets

You and Your Child in Hockey.
You and Your Hockey Parents.
Hockey - it's Your Game.

D. The following films are available for loan, or purchase:

1. Hockey Is

A definitive look at what the game is all about: the skill, the teamwork, the courage, the fun! Specifically makes the point that fighting is not hockey.
\$170.00

2. Fitting Your Hockey Equipment

Highlights include what to look for in quality, and fitting of hockey equipment. Emphasis is placed on buying equipment for the young growing player. Produced for the Canadian Sports Network in co-operation with the Ontario Hockey Council.
\$60.00

3. The Components of Hockey Fitness

Conditioning for hockey players, with comments from such noted specialists as Professor Howie Green of the University of Waterloo. Highlights include off-ice drills and explanations of how they affect the player and why they should be used. Produced for the Canadian Sports Network in co-operation with the Ontario Hockey Council.
\$60.00

These resources are available through:

Hockey Technical Director's Office
160 Vanderhoof Ave. Toronto, Ontario M4G 4B8, (416) 429-7701

